

**HARDEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2002 8:30 A.M.
HARDEE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. CONFERENCE ROOM
A G E N D A**

Commissioners:	District I	William R. Lambert, Jr.
	District II	Clifton N. Timmerman
	District III	Gordon R. Norris
	District IV	E. Milton Lanier
	District V	Walter B. Olliff, Jr.
County Manager Lexton H. Albritton , Jr.		Budget Specialist Judith George
Clerk B. Hugh Bradley		Deputy Clerk Darlene Ward
County Attorney Ken Evers		

Chairman Olliff – Call to Order.

Invocation by Rev. Dewayne Wyatt followed by Pledge to Flag.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

- Planning Session of 10/11/02 at 8:30 a.m.**
- Regular Meeting of 10/17/02 at 8:30 a.m.**
- BCC Zoning Meeting of 10/17/02 at 1:30 p.m.**
- Planning Session of 10/25/02 at 8:30 a.m.**
- Regular Meeting of 10/31/02 at 8:30 a.m.**

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

PLEASE TURN OFF CELL PHONES AND PAGERS

APPOINTMENTS:

8:45 a.m. **Bill Muhlfeld, Emergency Management Director – Request approval to “piggy-back” off City of Hollywood’s debris management contract.**

Action recommended: Motion to approve “piggy-backing” off City of Hollywood’s contract.

Copy of memo from Bill Muhlfeld dated 09/06/02

9:00 a.m. **Ben Walker, P.E., FDOT Planning Manager - Presentation of FDOT’s 5 year plan.**

Action recommended: Board’s Discretion.

Copy of letter from Ben Walker dated 10/25/02 and Draft of Tentative Work Program FY 2003/04 – 2007/08 provided.

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9:30 a.m. Ron Cauthman, P.E., Chastain Skillman, Inc. - Award Sauls Road Improvements bid to Kelco Striping and Excavating, Inc., \$237,929.75.

Action recommended: Motion to award bid to Kelco Striping and Excavating, Inc.

Copy of letter from Chastain Skillman dated 11/04/02 and bid tabulation sheet provided.

9:45 a.m. J. R. Prestridge, Director of Public Works – Request approval and authorization to sign Joint Participation Agreement between FDOT and Hardee County on paving of Murphy Road - \$1.2 million.

Action recommended: Motion to approve and authorize Chairman to sign agreement.

Copy of agreement provided.

10:00 a.m. Marsha Staszko, Central Florida Regional Planning Council – Discussion on the Selection Process of a Transportation Disadvantaged Community Transportation Coordinator.

Action recommended: Board’s discretion.

Copy of letter from Marsha Staszko dated 10/21/02 and Community Transportation Coordinator information provided.

10:15 Doug Knight, Mining Coordinator - Update on Ona DRI time lines.

Action recommended: No action required.

10:30 a.m. Request approval and authorization for Chairman to sign Resolution No. 03-05, adoption of the Land Use Suitability Index.

Action recommended: Motion to adopt Land Use Suitability Index and authorize Chairman to sign Resolution 03-05.

Copy of Resolution 03-05 provided.

11:15 a.m. David Royal, Florida Farm Bureau – Request approval and authorization for Chairman to sign Proclamation designating the week of November 22 - 28th as National Farm-City Week.

Action recommended: Motion to approve and authorize Chairman to sign.

Copy of Proclamation provided.

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11:30 a.m. Janet Gilliard, Office of Community Development – Request approval and authorization for Chairman to sign new three year Local Housing Assistance Plan for submission to Dept of Community Affairs for final approval and implementation by July 1, 2003.

Action recommended: Motion to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Local Housing Assistance Plan for 2003-2006.

Copy of memo from Shelly Massey dated 11/04/02 and Local Housing Assistance Plan provided.

ALSO:

Request authorization for staff to pursue grant funding for courthouse renovations thru the State Bureau of Historic Preservation.

ALSO:

Request authorization for staff to pursue grant funding for operating costs for the Cracker Trail Museum thru the State Division of Historical Resources.

ALSO:

Request authorization for Chairman to execute grant applications for submittal.

1:30 p.m. BCC Zoning Meeting – See separate Agenda.

2:00 p.m. Larry Pelton, E-911 Coordinator and Bill Muhlfeld, Emergency Management Director – Request approval to purchase Positron SIMON Call Taker Positions equipment for emergency response.

Action recommended: Motion to approve purchase call taker position equipment.

Copy of memo from Larry Pelton dated 11/07/02, letter from Sprint dated 10/15/02 and proposal from Sprint for Positron equipment provided.

COUNTY MANAGER; NON-CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Discuss canceling or rescheduling Regular Board meeting of 12/05/02, due to FAC Legislative Conference.**

- B. Request approval and authorization for Chairman to sign Resolution No. 03-06, supporting Hardee County's 2003 Legislative issues.**

Action recommended: Motion to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Resolution No. 03-06.

Copy of Resolution provided.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Request approval and authorization for Chairman to sign Resolution 03-02, approving budget amendments for fiscal year 2001-2002.**

Copy of agenda request form, Resolution 03-02 and

- B. Request approval and authorization for Chairman to sign Grant-In-Aid Agreement for Child Dependency Fund FY 2002/2003. Authorizing Florida Dept. of Children and Families to allocate Trust Funds to local government to help offset representation in child dependency cases.**

Copy of letter from Joey Rowe, Office of Court Administrator dated 10/28/02, letter from Roy L. Neel, Justice Administrative Commission dated 10/24/02 and Grant-In-Aid Agreement for Child Dependency for Hardee County, Florida provided.

- C. Request authorization for County Manager to approve vouchers due to the holidays.
D. Ratification of Hardee County Fire Fighters Assn IAFF Local #3471 to ratify the contract through the period 09/30/05.**

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA A-D

COUNTY ATTORNEY KEN EVERS

OLD BUSINESS – OPEN See Agenda Attachment 'A'

OLD BUSINESS – CLOSED See Agenda Attachment 'B'

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CITIZENS

OTHER BUSINESS

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Meeting adjourned at _____ with the next Regular Meeting on December 05, 2002 at 8:30 a.m. and Regular Planning Session Meeting scheduled for Friday, November 2, 2002. Meetings to be held at Hardee County Health Dept. Conference Room, 115 K.D. Revell Rd, Wauchula, Florida, 33873.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ABOVE APPOINTMENT TIMES MAY BE ADJUSTED AS DEEMED NECESSARY UNLESS IT IS AN ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARING.

REMINDER:

November 14, 2002 – IMC Annual Report - joint meeting with Planning and Zoning, 5:30 p.m. Hardee County Health Dept. Conference Room.

November 19, 2002 – Special Meeting on reorganization, 8:30 a.m. Hardee Co. Health Dept. Conference Room.

Attachment A
OLD BUSINESS (Open)
NOVEMBER 14, 2002

1. **Water for rural outlying fires – drawing from agricultural wells, ponds, etc.;**
obtain written permission for files.
Status: One 10,000 tank acquired from City of Wauchula to be placed on east side of County, possibly Resthaven property or 7-mile point area. Have access to additional 3,000 gallon tank. Working with property owners for sources from grove pumps, etc. Additional manpower to be assigned to this task.
2. **Water Plant**
Status: Advertised 08/29/02 - Bids due 09/30/02 – Bid due date changed to 10/10/02. Low bid \$3,517,000 – award 10/31/02 (includes wastewater).
3. **Permanent relocation of staff – first draft of floor plan for returning to Annex I has been prepared for review by County Manager. Will schedule Comcast site survey during planning period.**
4. **Sludge Issue – County Manager met with Lockie Gary, Mike Cassidy and Range Cattle Station Representative on 10/04/02. Incorporating occasional user language.**
5. **Special Taxing Districts – BCC 02/14/02 – Info presented to BCC 07/25 – Hunter to continue to work with County Attorney.**
6. **Wauchula Hills Wastewater Treatment Plant –Advertised 08/29/02 – Bids due 09/30/02 – Bid due date changed to 10/10/02. Low bid \$3,517,000 (includes water).**
7. **Minor Subdivision Plats – Table until info received on Special Taxing Districts.**
8. **Pave Ten-Mile Grade N/S and E/W as necessary- N/S waiting on grant – E/W Engineer**
preparing costs – waiting on DeSoto County on E/W portion. AFAM is providing all info necessary to move forward and they have expanded their number of employees that allows us to receive the maximum amount of funds for 10-mile grade \$750,000 CDBG-ED grant. Consultant will work on next public hearing. Should be hearing from AFAM this week regarding their bond issue. Lex & Ken to meet with AFAM, 11/19 to discuss conduit bonds.
9. **Coordinate paving of Sauls Road entryway and E/W portion with most expeditious way of funding. Advertised –Mandatory Pre-Bid held 09/26/02 with four (4) companies attending.**
Bids Due 10/10/02. Bids being calculated by Engineers and County – Engineer finalizing SWFMD permit – low bid \$237,929.75 (This agenda 9:30 a.m.)
10. **Heartland Water Alliance– Status: Meeting held 07/22/02 at 1:30 p.m. at Health Dept. (staff members meeting) Full Alliance meeting to be set up.**
11. **Mining Ordinance Amendments/ DRI's –Staff identifying ordinances and resolutions for determining amendments needed and scheduling for completion.**

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12. **Hardee Lakes 09/19/02 Authorized proceeding with FRDAP Grant, \$200,000 and LWCF Grant, \$150,000. Staff working with Fish & Game on potential grants and design assistance.**
13. **Land Suitability Index Report – Also need Cumulative Impact Study – 08/16/02 received Presentation on potential cumulative impacts of clay settling areas. Meeting set with IFAS on 10/22/02. IMC met with CFRPC 10/22/02. This agenda 10:30.**
14. **Sewer hook-up for Pioneer Park to Zolfo Springs system – CAS has done field study and will submit cost estimate for design and survey. Costs being re-evaluated.**
15. **Architectural/Structural Engineering Services 05/23/02 – Weeks to go out for RFPs. RFPs drafted –County Attorney reviewed –staff making changes.**
16. **Shared roads with DeSoto County – 08/01 staff met with DeSoto Engineers to determine crossroad culvert and paving costs for 10-Mile Grade. Waiting on info from DeSoto County. DeSoto County Manager reviewing proposal. Staff meeting with DeSoto County 11/01/02. Desoto legal/finance reviewing our request for Desoto to pave and Hardee to contribute to their bond payments. Desoto assessing maintenance work needed on Lily County Line.**
17. **Vandolah Wastewater Treatment Plant – Filled and flushed eight-inch (8”) force main down Vandolah Rd and Ona/Ft. Green Roads, unloaded pipe and material for sprinkler system at spray field, did some dress work on Ona Road and at the WWTP and seeded several areas on Ona Road.**
18. **Tuition Reimbursement Policy – 07/11/02 authorized County Manager to revise. 07/25/02 determined that policy does not need to be reviewed by BCC.**
19. **Legislation Packet for 2003 Legislative Session – compiling information. Legislative meeting scheduled 11/25/02. This agenda Co. Manager, non-consent.**
20. **Industrial Development Authority – 07/25/02 IDA to identify sites for light commercial site along Hwy 17 in Enterprise Zone and a heavy industrial site; ascertain costs, funding alternatives and work with County staff. IDA still communicating with landowners and will come back to Board with funding alternatives and request early November. Scheduled for 11/19 Board Meeting.**
21. **Range Cattle Research & Education Center at Ona – 08/08/02 Approved appointing a Steering Committee to study the Center’s mission. Park Winter has compiled list of potential members and is contacting each. Kick-off meeting occurred 09/27/02. Committee to meet early November at Center for tour and receive information paper from Center staff.**
22. **Road Paving Priorities system – 08/08/02 County Manager/County Engineer/Director of Public Works to work on a better, more equitable evaluation using more meaningful data. Staff identifying resources and procedures to implement changes. Staff trying to develop a stabilizing factor – scheduling for 11/22 Planning Session.**

- 23. Steve Roberts Special Bridges – Bids Due 11/19/02. Pre-bid conference held 10/11/02, six companies participated.**
- 24. Bowling Green Volunteer Fire Dept. –County Manager met with Bowling Green administrators. County staff took inventory of buildings and equipment on 09/26/02 to determine potential liability – staff to develop staffing plan for cost determination - to be presented to Bowling Green Council. Working with Tax Appraisers office to determine assessments. Estimate of assessments is \$65,000.**
- 25. Old Town Creek Paving Project – Cost estimate for S.R. 64 to Mel Smith based on 2001-2002 contract bids is \$355,022; County Attorney submitted counter-offer of \$55,000 the week of 09/16/02. County Attorney received letter on 11/04/02 from Mrs. Sanders refusing the \$55,000 offer.**
- 26. 08/22/02 Economic Tax Abatements for Hardee Power Partners, Seminole Electric and Mancini Packing; staff to check for compliance with statute and ordinance. Staff developing policy procedure to determine yearly compliance. Finance sent letters to companies requesting verification of employees. Still waiting on responses – will provide copies of responses to Board when received.**
- 27. Soil Mapping – 07/16/02 – pursue the issue of re-mapping of the soils with DEP and the Bureau of Mine Reclamations.**
- 28. Animal Control Consolidation – County Manager met with staff – J. R. preparing cost estimate.**
- 29. 09/05/02 Authorized hiring County Engineer – currently being advertised.**

Attachment B
Old Business (Closed)
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- 1. CRA —Committee has been appointed – 2 Commissioners - Lambert & Timmerman, 2 Councilmen, City Administrator and County Manager. Obtained info from Property Appraiser concerning Briarwood. Lex to meet with Conerly 10/01/02. Meeting scheduled 10/29/02. City agreed to remove Briarwood at 11/11/02 meeting – Staff will work with City and Property Appraiser to remove.**
- 2. Garbage Collection – Private Roads – Continue to evaluate status of roads – County Manager plans to send additional letters to residents. Exempted 26 roads – will continue to review suitability of common collection points.**
- 3. Clerk Issues – 08/08/02 Clerk not present at mtg. (submitted letter dated 08/02/02) County Manager to follow-up on public records request for minutes in digital format; Drafting policy for purchasing card; etc. Printing capabilities restored. Continuing to move forward within budget and system constraints.**
- 4. Carlisle Group – Country Manor – Awarded tax incentives. Working with staff to establish water/sewer rates. Estimated rates provided.**
- 5. 09/05/02 Comcast Cable – Will provide a site survey for televising meetings – waiting until room is ready for construction. Task combined with #3 (Open).**
- 6. Skate Park – 09/19/02 Authorized staff to work with City - approved materials cost of approximately \$12,533 – Lex to work with Kathy on funding. Removal of sod has been completed. Pouring concrete.**